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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA SELF HELP PROGRAM: FY 2007 STATUS REPORT

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11. In FY07, Embassy Pretoria selected ten projects for the Ambassador's Special Self-Help Program with total allocations of USD 100,000. All of the projects are on-going and performing satisfactorily in providing social and economic services to the vulnerable populations of the affected communities. End Summary.

12. Project(s) summary and status as follows:

13. A.Project Number: SSH-07-674-D-01
Project Name: Happy Valley Clinic Project
Grantee: University of KwaZulu Natal/Happy Valley Clinic Project
Project Description: Build toilets for patients at primary
healthcare clinic run by medical students of the Nelson Mandela
School of Medicine.
Beneficiaries: 3640 per year (70 per week)
Obligation Amount: \$12,000

Status: Grantee received first installment, and is in the process of consulting with an engineering professor within the School of Development Studies, University of KwaZulu-Natal to make sure the planned toilet facility complies with environmental regulations, codes, and procedures as per the "Terms of Agreement for Basic Construction". Self-Help Coordinator is assisting in the process. Construction is expected to commence within weeks, however it is likely that grantee will need an extension of the Grant Agreement.

1B. Project Number: SSH-07-674-D-02
Project Name: Kuyasa Development Organization
Grantee: University of KwaZulu Natal/Happy Valley
Clinic Project Project Description: Purchase sewing machines for income generation project. Beneficiaries: 261 principal beneficiaries (member of cooperative "mini factory") Obligation Amount: \$10,000 Status:
Grantee received first installment and has purchased equipment allowed under the grant agreement. Self-Help Coordinator is awaiting invoices to submit for final grant payment to organization.

¶C. Project Number: SSH-07-674-D-03
Project Name: Place of Refuge
Project Description: Convert two rooms in shelter to bathroom facilities. Shelter provides rehabilitation and skills training for men addicted to drugs and alcohol.
Beneficiaries: 224 per year (56 per quarter)
Obligation Amount: \$8,000
Status: Grantee received first installment and has completed all work on room conversions. Self-Help Coordinator is awaiting invoices to submit for final grant payment to organization.

ID. Project Number: SSH-07-674-J-01
Project Name: Dryharts Village Gardens Project
Project Description: Drill bore-holes and equip community garden with tools and supplies.
Beneficiaries: 1,000
Obligation Amount: \$10,000
Narrative: Dryharts Village used the first advance of \$7,053.60
(Seven Thousand Fifty Three Dollars and Sixty Cents) to install a

perimeter fence to secure the area and to test for and dig a bore hole. Dryharts Village had anticipated digging two bore holes, but the location of the second bore hole would not produce water. Dryharts Village is in the process of submitting receipts for liquidation of their first installment of money and collecting quotes for their second installment. The North West Provincial Government is considering the borehole for the "North West Project of the Year". In the application, Dryharts Village repeatedly credited the U.S. Government for its financial support.

TE. Project Number: SSH-07-674-J-02
Project Name: Lechabile Special Needs Center
Project Description: Erect fencing, install household appliances, bathroom fixtures and furniture, and create an office for staff.
Beneficiaries: Twenty-two children with special needs who reside at QBeneficiaries: Twenty-two children with special needs who reside at Lechabile.
Obligation Amount: \$10,000
Narrative Lechabile has received two installments of funding (1st installment-\$3204.19; 2nd installment-\$2829.00). They used the first tranche to purchase a refrigerator, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, table and chairs and small kitchen appliances and items. The first installment of funding has been successfully liquidated and their second advancement was released. Lechabile has installed fencing surrounding their current location (which can easily be removed and erected in a new location) and created an office at the centre, equipped with a laptop computer and new furnishings. Lechabile is currently in the process of submitting receipts to liquidate their second installment.

¶F. Project Number: SSH-07-674-J-03

Project Name: Taung Clinic

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Project Description: Build a structure for ARV patients to use while waiting for appointments and transportation, to avoid standing in undesirable weather or heat.

Beneficiaries: 2600

Obligation Amount: \$5, 000

Narrative: The Taung Clinic has received \$3,969.89. They will begin purchasing materials by October 10, 2008 and intend to have the structure built by the end of October 2008.

¶G. Project Number: SSH-07-674-C-02

Project Name: Church Foundation Ministry in Bongolethu Project Description: Purchase brick-making equipment for project in area with 75% unemployment and 9,000 families on a waiting list for homes.

Beneficiaries: 24 community members get training in brick making, 500 families will get houses Obligation Amount: \$ 10,000

Narrative: The grantee used the first advance to purchase fencing material, a cement mixer, wheel barrows, spades and hosepipes, and to put down a deposit of R 20,000 towards a Doubell machine, a stock brick maker, and block molds. SGC is in contact with the company, Quick Brick, who confirmed that the Doubell machine along with stock brick maker and block molds will be ready for collection on Oct. 3. Liquidation of first installment and advance request for second installment were sent to USAID.

H.Project Number: SSH-07-674-C-01
Project Name: Diabashe Day Care Centre
Project Description: Construction of bedrooms for orphans and expansion of day care centre
Beneficiaries: 200 day-care children and orphans
Obligation Amount: \$ 12,000
Narrative: The grantee has used the first advance of \$ 5,836.41 to purchase building materials. Liquidation of first installment and advance request for second installment were sent to USAID in September 2008.

I.Project Number: SSH-07-674-P-01
Project Name: Alfa Pre-School
Project Description: Build new building for pre-school which
provides a valuable education to rural children.
Beneficiaries: 64 children are educated at the school. 4 teachers

are employed.

Amount Obligated: \$13,000.00 Narrative: Alfa Pre-School is situated at Klipgat in North West Province. The grant from SSH was mainly for a building - materials and labor. The project has liquidated the whole grant. The last advance was liquidated on October 9, 2008.

J.Project Name: Marang A Setshaba Project Number: SSH-07-674-P-02

Project Description: Purchase equipment for income generation

recycling project.

Beneficiaries: Over 100 community members bring recyclables and receive a payment - from children to pensioners.

Amount Obligated: \$10,000.00

Narrative: Marang A Setshaba is situated in Soshanguve Township in the North West Province. Eight community members in Soshanguve and surrounding areas collect recyclables (plastic, glass, paper, etc). The project sells the recyclable materials to different recycling companies. The project received an advance of \$5,000 to buy an industrial scale and two steel bottle crushers. Project has not yet liquidated the advance. The rest of the grant will be forwarded to the project after it has liquidated the first installment/advance; monies will be used to buy protective clothing and materials (forks, spades, rakes and wheel barrows).

14. Post appreciates the continued support of AF/EPS and USAID/AFR in securing funds for these valuable programs.

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